

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Applicant | : Harald Weigelt |
| App. No | : 10/522,078 |
| Filed | : July 5, 2005 |
| For | : STRIPPING DEVICE |
| Examiner | : Michelle Laura Lee |
| Art Unit | : 3724 |

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

As set forth in the office communication dated March 6, 2008, the Examiner requires Applicant to elect a single disclosed invention.

Applicant provisionally elects, without traverse, to proceed with examination directed towards the first stated group (Group I), should no generic claim eventually be held allowable. Applicant respectfully submits that at least independent Claim 1 is generic to Groups I, II, III, and IV and that Claim 5 reads on at least the elected group (i.e., Group I).

REMARKS

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the application is in condition for examination on the merits. If, however, the Examiner believes that any additional issue remains or requires clarification, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call the attorney of record in order to more expeditiously advance the examination of this application.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.